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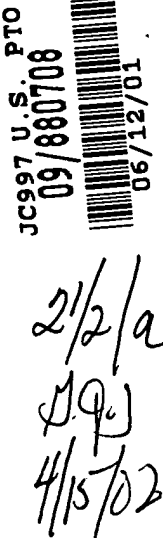
TITLE: GROWTH DIFFERENTIATION FACTOR-5

Under 35 USC § 120, this application claims the benefit of prior U.S. Application Serial No. 09/145,060, filed September 1, 1998, issuing June 12, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,245,896; which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/455,559, filed May 31, 1995, issued September 1, 1998 as U.S. Patent No. 5,801,014; which is a continuation-in-part application of PCT/US94/00657, filed January 12, 1994; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 08/003,144, filed January 12, 1993, now abandoned; all of the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Preliminarily, amend the specification by deleting the text of the first paragraph on page 1, entitled "GROWTH DIFFERENTIATION FACTOR-5," and replacing with:

a This application is a continuation application of prior U.S. Application Serial No. 09/145,060, filed September 1, 1998, issued June 12, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,245,896; which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/455,559, filed May 31, 1995, issued September 1, 1998 as U.S. Patent No. 5,801,014; which is a continuation-in-part application of

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Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

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| Pages of Specification | 30 |
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